STAR

Or; General Advertiser.

EASTON: TUESDAY MORNING APRIL 11, 1809.

The late and important foreign news in this morning's paper, goes to the exclusion of some articles intended for it—the new arrangement in the Western mail has deprived us of any thing from the seat of government, later than the 3d instant. The dispatches by the late arrivals must be of the utmost importance, therefore something may be looked for shortly.

We understand that Paul Hamilton, Esq. of this state, has accepted his appointment of Secretary of the Navy.

CHARLESTON PAP.

BALTIMORE, April 7.

By the arrival of Capt. Gould's packet from Norfolk, we learn that the British ship of war, Rosamond of 20 guns, Capt. Walker, has arrived in Hampton Roads in 41 days from Falmouth, England, with dispatches for the British minister. In addition to the particulars which we copy from the Norfolk Ledger, it is stated that the central junta had retired to Cadiz; that the troops which occupied the heights of Corunna were composed of a picked body of Highlanders commanded by Sir John Moore, and that they were all cut to pieces.

FROM THE NORFOLK LEDGER OF APRIL 4.

It is with real concern that we now inform the friends of freedom and national independence that the Spanish nation has fallen under the dominion of the Napoleon dynasty. We have not been able to procure any papers, but we have learnt the following particulars brought in His Britannic Majesty's sloop of war Rosamond, Capt. Walker, in 41 days from England, arrived yesterday in Hampton-Roads.

The British army has been engaged in two severe battles, in one of which Sir John Moore, the commander in chief was killed. Sir David Baird, second in command, lost an arm. Gen. Anstruthar is also killed, with great loss of officers and men. The remainder of the army marched to Corunna, where it embarked with the artillery, baggage, &c. and had actually arrived in England before the Rosamond sailed.

We further learn that what lead to those disastrous events was the treachery of Castanos and another Spanish general (not Blake) who actually went over to the French in a critical juncture with a view to betray the British army into the hands of Bonaparte, which nothing but its great courage and perseverance prevented.

Joseph Bonaparte had returned to Madrid from whence addresses from all quarters were coming to him.

Napoleon had returned to Paris, and accounts of his arrival there had been received in England before the Rosamond sailed.

These are the particulars we have learnt, and give them as we received them.

In the Rosamond came passenger Charles Oakley, Esq. Secretary of Legation of his Britannic Majesty to the United States.

Since the above article was in type, we have gathered some further particulars, received by the Rosamond. There had been no general action between the French and British armies; the former harassing the latter in the retreat. The day preceding the embarkation of the British army, was that on which they suffered most, on the heights near Corunna, and where Sir John Moore and General Anstruther were killed. The former lived about eight or nine hours after being wounded. It was notified in the House of Commons, that the whole number lost in the Spanish expedition, did not exceed eight thousand in killed, wounded, and missing.

It is stated that the disasters in Spain, had produced no change in the popularity of the Ministers—We further understand that Saragossa had not surrendered, and that Catalonia, and the southern provinces, with Andalusia, still adhered to the patriotic cause.

An expedition of 15,000 British troops preparing for Cadiz, which place cannot be taken by land.

We hear nothing of American affairs. There are dispatches from Mr. Pinkney for our government, by this vessel.

FROM THE BALTIMORE WHIG.

The "Noble English,"

In Spain, rely more upon their *heels* than their *arms* to save themselves from the French legions, who were in pursuit of them.

The following extract from a London paper, is the conclusion of an article detailing the operations of sir John Moore, in relation to Marshal Soult, Bonaparte's tactics, &c.

"From the line of sir John Moore's retreat it should seem as if he was falling back, not upon Vigo but upon Corunna; yet it is at Vigo that we have all our ships of war and transports; Bonaparte, it is said, will make a desperate attempt to prevent our retreat to Vigo; but we trust that the ships there will be able to get to Corunna before we reach the coast."

GOOD OUT OF EVIL.

A writer in the London Morning Chronicle, over the signature of "Cassandra," who advises the English to abandon their unjust pretensions, in attempting to dictate maritime law to all the world, observes:—"Our present contest with Bonaparte is for our existence, if he conquors Spain and Portugal, Ireland cannot be defended, and when Ireland is lost, what is G. Britain?" God grant that Ireland, which has been styled the *right arm* of England, may be severed from her galling connexion with a nation which has rendered the most beautiful island that ever the sun rose on, a mere Golgotha! Well may its oppressed inhabitants sigh over their fate and that of their country:—

"Alas; poor country;
"Almost afraid to shew itself; it cannot
Be called our mother, but our grave; where nothing
But who knows nothing, is once seen to smile:"

If Bonaparte's reduction of Spain should lead to the delivery of Ireland—hallowed is the deed,—be the *motive* as it may!

The same writer proceeds: "I know that Mr. George Rose, who at present in the character of minister, exercises despotic power over all the commercial concerns of this country, has repeatedly declared that these maritime claims shall never be abandoned, and a large portion of the mercantile interest applauds this sentiment. Trade by a neutral state, they say, is war in disguise against us, and whatever trade has heretofore been carried on by America, may now be gained by England; but in this they are mistaken, and though I do not expect to be believed, I do not scruple to prophecy, that these maritime claims must sooner or later be abandoned; they may persevered in for some time longer; but except you decide that England shall forever continue in a state of war, these unjust claims, so injurious to other states, must ultimately be abandoned."

It is stated in the Paris Moniteur, that independently of the formidable army which Buonaparte has in Spain, he has the following disposable forces:—

Army of the Rhine, (in Germany,)	100,000
At Boulogne,	100,000
In Naples,	100,000
In Dalmatia,	30,000
In Italy,	20,000
	350,000
The armies in Spain are known to amount to	480,000
	830,000

Of these 100,000 are cavalry.

The Moniteur says, if these are not enough, they can be augmented; & that if a war should break out in Germany it cannot hinder the conquest of Spain & Portugal.

A bill appropriating $18,000, for satisfying Olmstead's claim, has passed the house of representatives of the state of Pennsylvania. It is yet doubtful whether the senate will accede to it.

A letter from Spain states, that the military and private property which the French had plundered at Madrid, was sufficient to load 1500 waggons.

The Legislature of Pennsylvania have exempted from taxation the property of all religious, literary and charitable societies, unless their property be so excessive as to be more than necessary to the due attainment of the ends for which they were instituted.

The Easton Light Infantry
BLUES,

ARE requested to attend at the Court House, on FRIDAY *next, the 14th inst. at 3 o'clock, P. M. without arms or uniform, on business of the Company.*

JOHN MEREDITH, Lieut.

April 11, 1809.

ATTENTION!

*** THE MECHANICAL COMPANY OF EASTON, *are requested to meet at the Court House, on Saturday next, 15th instant, without uniform, with wooden snappers.—Roll will call at 3 o'clock, P. M.* *By order,*

JOHN BARTON, Sec'ry.

April 11, 1809.

THE BALL

Mentioned in the Monitor to be held at *Thomas Prince's*, on THURSDAY, 13th, will, by order of the Managers, be postponed until the 20th of April.

WILLIAM G. TILGHMAN,
WILLIAM G. ELBERT,
EDMUND P. KENNEDY,
VACHEL KEENE.

April 11, 1809. 2

Notice.

ANY Person desirous to contract for the delivery of from one to three thousand bushels of sound OYSTER SHELLS, may have an opportunity of doing it, by applying early at the Star-Office.

April 11, 1809. tf

Public Sale

ON TUESDAY, the 18th April, if fair, if not, the next fair day, by order of the orphan's court of Queen-Ann's county, will be sold at public sale, all the personal estate of *Daniel Meconekin*, late of said county, deceased, at his late dwelling, consisting of horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, bacon, lard, corn, wheat, household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils, with many other things.—Six months credit will be given, the purchaser giving bond or note with approved security. Sale to begin at 11 o'clock, and continue from day to day till all are sold. PHILIP GREEN, Adm'r.

April 11, 1809.

Public Sale.

ON TUESDAY, the 18th April, if fair, if not, the next fair day, at the late dwelling of Daniel Meconekin, near Wye-Mill, by order of the orphan's court of Queen-Ann's county, will be sold at public sale, all the personal estate of *John* and *Elizabeth Meconekin*, late of said county, deceased, consisting of horses, cattle, farming utensils, and a variety of valuable household and kitchen furniture, with many other things.—Six months credit will be given, the purchaser giving bond or note, with approved security. Sale to begin at 11 o'clock, and continue from day to day till all are sold.

PHILIP GREEN, Adm'r de bonis non.

April 11, 1809.

For Sale.

The following very valuable property, in Easton, will be offered at public sale, on THURSDAY, *the 4th day of May next, at ten o'clock, at which time the terms will be made known:—*

THAT valuable TAN-YARD, situate on Goldsborough street, between Harrison and Hanson streets, containing half an acre of ground, more or less, in which there are a number of vats, a spring, and a never failing stream of water passes through the yard—There is a new building, 25 feet square, the lower part a bark mill, and the upper part a currying shop: ALSO, a frame house, which would answer either for a dwelling or sale shop, the lot well inclosed, and for situation and advantages equal to any in the county.

Also—*That valuable Lot of* Ground, fronting on Washington and running to Harrison street, containing one quarter of an acre, more or less, on which there are two frame buildings in good repair, one of which is now occupied as a dwelling and store; the situation is excellent for business of any kind.

Also—*A Lot of Ground,* fronting on Harrison street forty-five feet, & one hundred and sixty-five feet deep, on which there are two small frame houses, and two springs of excellent water, subject to six dollars a year ground rent.

Also—*Two Acres of Ground* at the Hole in the Wall, under fence, and at present occupied by *John Keene*. An indisputable title will be given for the above property. *ISAAC ATKINSON* will shew it to any person desirous of viewing the same, previous to the day of sale.

April 11, 1809. 4

DANCING SCHOOL.

F. D. MALLETT,

HAS the honor of informing the Ladies and gentlemen of Easton, and its vicinity, that he will open a DANCING SCHOOL in this town, in a short time, if a sufficient number of Ladies can be obtained.

He has taught in Baltimore for *five* years past, in which place he has received the most liberal encouragement. His mode of teaching is entirely in the latest style.

MR. MALLETT, also takes Likenesses in *Miniature*, at a very moderate price: Specimens of his performance may be seen at the Druggist Store of Thomas H. Dawson, & Co. Subscription book for his school will be opened at the same place.

Easton, April 11, 1809. tf

To the Independent Voters of TALBOT COUNTY.

FROM the solicitation of a number of my freinds, I am induced to offer myself a Candidate for the office of SHERIFF, at the ensuing Election—and should I be so fortunate as to be the successful *Candidate*, I solemnly pledge myself to execute the duties of the office with fidelity and impartiality.

On this occasion it may not be amiss to remark, that from my long experience in public business (in which I flatter myself I have given general satisfaction) the public will entertain no doubt of my future good conduct.

With sentiments of due respect,
I am the Public's humble serv't.
THOMAS PARROTT.

April 11, 1809. cowtf

To be Hired,

For the remainder of the present year,

A VALUABLE young negro man, called *CHARLES*, belonging to the estate of *Frances Gibson*, late of Talbot county, dec'd:—He is an excellent Sawyer, and a good plantation hand.

As this fellow has been absent, without permission, since the first of January last, all persons who have employed him during that term, or who shall hereafter employ him, may expect to be prosecuted agreeably to the law of 1787, chap. 33, —section 2.

WILLIAM E. SETH, Ex'r. of Frances Gibson, dec'd.

Head of Wye, Talbot county, 11th April, 1809. 3

Queen's-Town, Baltimore & Annapolis Packets.

THE sloop JEFFERSON, and the new sloop CAROLINE, is now in compleat order for the reception of passengers. The Jefferson has superior accommodations for passengers, and will leave Queen's-Town every *Wednesday* morning at nine o'clock, and Baltimore every *Saturday* morning, same hour, for Queen's-Town. The new sloop Caroline has good accommodations for passengers, and is well calculated to carry horses and carriages, she will leave Queen's-Town every *Sunday* morning at nine o'clock for Annapolis, and return to Queen's-Town every *Tuesday* at nine o'clock; then leave Queen's-Town for Baltimore every *Thursday* morning at nine o'clock, and return on *Friday*. The short distance between this, and the cities of Baltimore and Annapolis, will, he trusts, claim a preference for this route, and he pledges himself to give every dispatch and attention, which an undertaking of this kind requires.

GREENBURY GRIFFIN.

Queen's-Town, April 11, 1809. 4

To Rent,

And immediate possession given, in the Town of St. Michaels.

A GOOD convenient DWELLING HOUSE, with five out houses, and a good garden where the subscriber formerly lived.—ALSO, two houses and lots for sale in said town, which will be sold on good terms. Apply to captain William Merchant, living in said town, or to the subscriber now living at Queen's-Town.

GREENBURY GRIFFIN.

Queen's-Town, April 11, 1809. 4

PASTURAGE.

THE Subscriber will take from two to three hundred head of CATTLE to pasture, until after harvest, at his farm on Choptank, near Dover-Ferry, where attention will be paid to them, and the cattle regularly penned and counted every night, free from any charge to the owner; any person desirous to have their cattle pastured, will apply to the subscriber, living on Miles River.

WM. B. SMYTH.

April 11, 1809. 3

Kent County Orphan's Court,
JANUARY 23, 1809.

ORDERED that *John Maslin*, admr. of FRANCIS MASLIN, dec'd, advertise in the Star at Easton, three weeks successively, for said deceased's creditors to produce their claims or be barred

Test, RD. BARROLL, Reg.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber of Kent county, hath obtained from the orphan's court of Kent county, in Maryland, letters of administration, with the will annexed, on the personal estate of Francis Maslin, late of Kent county, deceased—All persons having claims against said dec'd. are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at or before the first of November next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 5th of April, 1809.

JOHN MASLIN, Adm'r. of Francis Maslin.

BENNETT WHEELER,

Presents his Compliments to those that owe him, and will thank them to come in and settle their accompts, without further trouble.—April 4, 1809. 4

Farmer's Bank of Maryland

BRANCH BANK, AT EASTON,
March 28, 1809.

THE President and Directors have declared a dividend of four per cent on the Capital Stock for the last six months, ending on the 31st inst. which will be paid to the Stockholders, or their legal Representatives, on or after the 6th April next. 4

HALL HARRISON, *Cashier.*

VINGT-UN,

WILL cover mares the ensuing season, at the very moderate price of Ten Dollars the mare, and Fifty Cents to the groom, where the owners of the mares reside in the county, the money must be paid on or before the first of October next, but where they reside out of the county all expences must be paid before the mare is taken away, and if not sent to pasture, at the time the mare is put to the horse.

VINGT-UN is a dark bay, of superior size, bone and substance; of great muscular powers, elegant action and sound condition.

VINGT UN was got by the imported horse Diomed (bred by Sir Charles Bunbury,) out of the dam of the famous mare Maria; Maria's dam, was got by the famous horse Clockfast, brother to Jemerack, out of Mr. John Burwill's mare Maria, who was got by Danmore's Regulus.

He will stand on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Easton; on Thursdays and Fridays at Mr. John Nabb's, at the Head of Wye; and the remainder of the week at the subscriber's stable. Good pasturage at fifty cents per week will be provided, and every care will be taken of the mares, but no responsibility for accidents of any kind.

EDWARD LLOYD.

April 11, 1809. tf

THE MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL EXAMINERS *for the Eastern Shore, will meet at Easton on the 12th instant, for the purpose of granting Licenses to practice Medicine and Surgery, agreeably to the Laws of Maryland.*

April 4, 1809. 2

A List of Letters

Remaining in the Post-Office in Chestertown, Md. April 1st 1809.

UNIT AINGER, Thomas Anderson, Edward Anderson. Wm. Baxter, Capt. Hiram Brown, Michael Blackiston, Moses Briscoe, esq. Michael Byren, Nicholas Brown, John Bordley. James Copper, sen. (2) Philip R. Copper, J. Campbell, Polly Duvnel, Thomas Dodson. James Eagle, Jno. Ebeson, Joseph Everitt. Henry Fisher, William Farrell. Maj. William Glanvell, James Greenwood, Jonathan Greenwood, Sol. Green, Benj. Greenwood, Mrs. Ann Gibson. Patience Harrison, Sarah Hodgson, James Hutcheson, Daniel Hamer, George Hogarble, esq. James Jerronce, Thos. Kean, (2) John Kewley, Wm. Keathing, Benjamin M'Kinsey. George Lamb. Aquilla B. Meeks, Thomas Maslin, (2) James Maslin, John Miller, esq. Miss Ann B. Nicholson. Capt. John Palmer, William Primrose, (2) Miss Ann Perkins. Elijah Quimby, Ann Quimby, Jos. Quimby. Captain Henry Yearly. Ann Robinson, Philip F. Raisin & Co. Levin Rollerson, James Ringgold, James B. Ringgold, Dr. Wm. Ringgold, Thomas Raisin, Samuel Ringgold. William R. Stewart, (2) Thomas Smith, esq. (3) Capt. Samuel Smith, (2) John Sperney, James Scott, Joseph Simmonds, Priscila Smith. Sophia Thompson, Joseph Turner, Richard Tilghman & Son, Thomas Taylor, John Thompson. Charles Vandaran. Abraham Wilson, Chester Williams, (2) Wm. Wallace, William Wickes, John A. Woodland, Susan Waltham, Simon Wickes.

A List of Letters

Remaining in the Post Office at Centreville Md. April 1st, 1809

TOBIAS BOURKE, P. C. Blake, (3) James Baynard, Senah Buffick, Basil Betton, Sally Betton, James S. Betton, Aquilla Brown. Thos. Copes, Sam. Clarke, John Clarke, Enoch Chapen, Thomas B. Cook, Eben. Covington, Edward Coursey, Wm. Darne, Jno. Duhamel, Wm. Dodson. Thos. C. Earle, (2) Thos. Emory, Anna M. Emory, Perry Emory. Philip Fairbanks, (2) Mrs. Foreman. Jas. Gifford, Thos. Glanvil. William Hemsley, Wm. Harper, James Hall, Alexander Hay, John Holden, William S. Harris, Thomas Harris, Mary Hynes. William King, Ann Kent, Samuel Y. Keene, (2) Hannah Massey, Wm. Mager. Benj. Newman. Lemuel Purnel, John P. Paca. George Reynolds Mrs. Richmond, Harry Richardson, Thos. Roberts, Rebecca Ringgold, James Roberts, James Roe. David W. Scott, (2) Mary Strong, John Smeade, Simon Smith, Anthony Sumption. Mrs. Tilghman, P. D. Thomas, Maria Tucker, Joseph Tolson, Samuel Wright, jun. Ann Warfield, Benj. Waters, Basil Yewell.

AVÆNA ELATIOR,*

LINNÆI.

Superior to all other Grasses for Upland, Meadow and Pasture.

THE Rev'd Doctor Henry Muhlenburg, of Lancaster county, in the State of Pennsylvania, in a letter to Doctor Mitchell, of New-York, gives the following account of this celebrated grass:—"I have cultivated this grass a number of years from imported seed, and find it, after a great many trials, of pretty near all other grasses, *the earliest, latest, and best grass for green fodder and hay.* It blooms in the middle of May, the same time with red clover, and the seed ripens a month after. Horses are fond of the hay; horned cattle prefer it to all other grasses. It will grow best in a clover soil, and the leaves are from two to four feet high before it blossoms. In the blossom, the stock rises from five to seven feet.—It ought to be cut in blossom, and will yield an abundance of sweet, good hay; may be cut three times a season; if suffered to grow old, it will become strawlike. The seed may be sown in the fall or spring, and must be brushed in, or lightly harrowed."†

The above account, from the experience of Nicholas Ridgely, Esq. the Chancellor of this State, George Cummins, Esq. both very respectable farmers, and myself, is fully verified. From the information of these gentlemen, who have cultivated this grass a greater length of time than I have, I am warranted to say that no pasturing, however severe, can destroy it. This grass is perennial, when once sown will produce perpetually unless the ground be broken. If sown alone it requires at least two bushels to the acre. On land in a high state of cultivation, the produce, after the first year, will be from two to three tons to the acre, from the first cutting, and little less from the second, if seasonable.

Seed may be had of James Bowie, Easton, from Doctor Daniel Sullivane, New-Market, and from Messrs. Loockerman and Chaplain, Cambridge, from whom agriculturists may be supplied, and a sample of the grass, with its age from the time of sowing, may be seen.

This is an upland grass, and will thrive wherever wheat, rye, oats or barley will flourish. Three or four pounds of clover seed to the acre, may be sown with the tall meadow oats; for by the time this grass comes to maturity, the clover will be on the decline.

JAMES SYKES.

Dover, Delaware, April 11, 1809 tf

* *Wiesenhafer franzosich, of the Germans —Tall Meadow Oats, of the English.*

† *See Trans. of New York Agric. Soc. and Domestic Encyclopædia. Art. Grass*

Notice is hereby given,

THAT *the Commissioners of the Tax for Talbot County, will meet at the Court-House, in Easton, on the first Monday in April next, and will continue to set as often as occasion may require, for the purpose of hearing appeals and making such alterations in the assessment of property, as may be required according to law.*

Per Order of the Board,

JNO. M. G. EMORY, Clk.

March 28, 1809. 3